# Art in Motion's 15th Annual 2023 Spring Recital

# "Storytellers - Dances celebrating great stories & those who tell them"

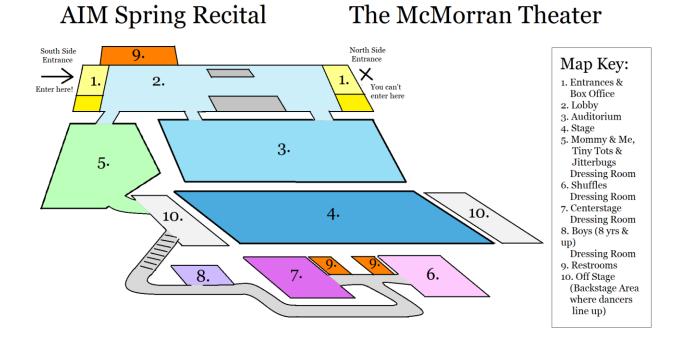
Friday-Sunday, June 9th-11th, 2023

#### Hello AIM Dance Families!

Recital Season is upon us, what a thrilling time of year! This year we are excited that we will once again be performing at the McMorran Theater in Port Huron, MI. We appreciate you taking the time to read through this hand out. It will help ensure that we are all prepared for our recital weekend.

Thank you & God bless!

-Miss Catie, Miss Cathy, & Miss Christine



#### ARRIVING AT MCMORRAN THEATER

Please arrive 45 minutes prior to the show starting. For organizational purposes you will NOT be permitted to enter the building prior to 45 minutes early. There are two entrances to the McMorran Theater, one on the south side of the building (the main entrance) and one on the north. We will be checking in people using the SOUTH side entrance ONLY. When you arrive, we ask that you have your party all together so that the ticket check in process is quick & easy. For safety reasons ALL ticket sales MUST be purchased presale prior to the recital weekend. No tickets will be sold at the door. (To order tickets please text Miss Christine (810)543-0179 asap). Patrons as well as dancers will ALL enter through the south side entrance & be checked in by Miss Christine. Once you are checked in at the south side entrance you will have your hand stamped and then be able to enter the lobby area.

## TAKING YOUR DANCER TO THEIR DRESSING ROOM

Once you are checked in you will now need to take your dancer backstage to their dressing room. The rest of your party will stay in the lobby area waiting to be seated for the performance. (Unless otherwise worked out ahead of time with Miss Catie, the dancer's mom will be the only one allowed to take their dancer back to their dressing room.) To access the backstage area please take your dancer (along with their costume, dance shoes, water bottle, etc) through the "Green Room" or the Little Kid Dressing Room located right off of the lobby area.

Miss Kayla will be at the door with a clipboard checking dancers in.

Mommy & Me, Tiny Tots, or Jitterbugs Dancers: For convenience and easy access, the Green Room is actually these dancers' dressing room! Once you get your dancer set and situated you are able to leave them there with our wonderful staff of instructors who will be watching them throughout the entire show (please make sure your dancer has gone to the bathroom and is all set in that department before leaving.) Moms are responsible to change their dancer's costume & shoes DURING the show. It is mandatory that you check in to make sure that your dancer is stage ready, even if you believe that they can change their costume/shoes by themselves.

Shuffles, Centerstage, or Older Dancers: There are professional dressing rooms located underneath the stage for all of these dancers. To access these dressing rooms please walk through the Green Room to our backstage area. There is a set of stairs located off of stage left that takes you to the downstairs area. Don't worry, we will have helpers ready to guide you to your dancer's dressing room if you are unfamiliar with this portion of the theater! Once you are downstairs there are THREE different dressing rooms (there are restrooms downstairs as well). We have a Boys Dressing Room (For dancers 8 yrs & older), a \*Shuffles Dressing Room, and a \*\*Centerstage Dressing Room. Once you get your dancer set and situated you are able to leave them there with our wonderful staff of instructors who will be watching them throughout the entire show.

#### **AUDIENCE MEMBERS BEING SEATED**

The doors to the auditorium are located off of the lobby area. In the lobby area we will be selling roses, taking DVD/Yearbook orders, & McMorran will be selling concessions. The doors to the auditorium will open 20 minutes prior to showtime and that's when audience members will go in and find a seat. Seating is general admission and spots are first come first serve. There are more than enough seats for everyone as McMorran has a massive seating capacity. There is a main level area for the audience as well as a balcony. You are welcome to sit in either location.

**IMPORTANT INFO:** Do not be late to the show! Once the recital begins we will NOT be allowing any more patrons into the building so be SURE to be on time. I know this policy seems strict but for safety reasons we don't want unknown people sneaking into the theater during the recital.

### CHECKING ON YOUR DANCER DURING THE SHOW

Mommy & Me, Tiny Tots, or Jitterbugs Dancers: It is the mom's responsibility to get these dancers' costume & dance shoes changed in between their dances. The little dancer's dressing room is conveniently located right off of the lobby & it is very easy to check on them throughout the show! Mommy & Me & Tiny Tots dancers at Intermission MUST go sit in the audience with their parent (You cannot take your child without signing out with an AIM Teacher). Jitterbugs dancers are required to stay backstage for the entire show. ALL dancers will come back to this dressing room near the end of the show for our big final bow!

Shuffles, Centerstage, or Older Dancers: These dancer's moms are ONLY allowed to check on them before the show & during our intermission. During the show these dancers will be helped by the AIM Teachers if needed with their costume and/or shoes. If there is a special circumstance that would require you to check on your dancer during the show then that needs to be worked out ahead of time (prior to the recital weekend). Please reach out to Miss Christine (text at (810)543-0179) or Miss Catie (text at (586)876-3822) and we will do our best to accommodate you.

## GETTING YOUR DANCER AFTER THE SHOW & LEAVING

After our final bow at the end of the show you will be invited to walk up to the stage to collect your dancer from their classmates and dance instructors. You are welcome to get pictures with family members, give your dancer flowers, and a get a picture with their teacher! After 10 minutes of meet and greet time, we ask that you go to your dancer's dressing room and collect all of their items (and leave their area clean & tidy) because we will have another recital group that we need to set up for! Soon, our next group of recital dancers/audience members will be showing up to McMorran. Because of this, we don't want to linger unnecessarily at the theater. We appreciate your promptness! It will help the weekend run smoothly.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US AT:

Miss Catie via text (586)876-3822

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